

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated November 13, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration.

Applicants thank the Examiner for taking the time to speak with Applicants' representative on several occasions. Applicants' representative believes that the amended claims enclosed herewith reflect the outcome of the discussions between Applicants' representative and the Examiner. If the Examiner has any questions, she is urged to contact the Applicants' representative at 617-542-6000.

35 U.S.C. § 112 rejections

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2, as "being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention." Office Action dated 11/13/06, p. 3. Claim 1 has been amended to recite a system including a volume manager that is configured to keep a record of changes that relates to changes caused by a user to at least one of the content of a selected file and metadata related to the selected file. Applicants respectfully assert that claim 1 complies with 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2.

Claims 2-32 and 34-70 also stand rejected for the same reasons as set forth with respect to independent claim 1. For at least the reasons discussed above with respect to claim 1, claims 2-32 and 34-70 also comply with 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2.

Conclusion

Based on the foregoing, this application is believed to be in allowable condition, and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If a telephone conversation with Applicant's representative would help expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (617) 542-6000.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-0311, Reference No. 25396-003.

Respectfully submitted,

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